

January 9, 1979

LR 1, 2

CLERK: 25 ayes, 9 nays on the adoption of the resolution, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried and the resolution is adopted. The Chair recognizes Senator Koch, for LR 2 found also on page 74 and 75. Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, the resolution needs no discussion. I think that every member of this body by and large knows that the University of Nebraska football team performed admirably throughout the season and particularly I think for you who may not be the greatest connoisseurs of football, I think it is interesting to note that when you looked at the number of athletes on the rosters of Oklahoma and Nebraska there were sixty-five Nebraskans on that roster at the Orange Bowl, forty-two from the State of Oklahoma and when you look at the density of population and where we have to get our athletes, I think this indeed is one great credit to the coaching staff of the University and to our system of building and developing athletes. I would also submit to you that when our athletes are interviewed, they depict a considerable degree of articulation and education. That again, if you look at the records of the graduating seniors of the University of Nebraska you will find a high degree, not only graduating, but also receiving academic honors. It is only too bad that more major universities do not have these kinds of standards because then you would truly have athletics for its purpose and for the prime reason that you carry it out which allow young men to participate in not only athletics but also academically receive a degree and become outstanding citizens of our society. I would hope that this body unanimously endorse this resolution in good faith to the university system, its administration, its athletes and its coaching staff. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Stoney.

SENATOR STONEY: Mr. President, a point of clarification. When reading the resolution I see that it is noted the 1978 Orange Bowl and I don't know whether or not that is correct. Is it '78 or is it '79 since it was played on January 1, 1979? Is it considered 1979 or '78? Senator Koch indicates that it is 1979 so I would move that we amend that from "1978" to "1979".

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the date '78 be changed to 1979. We have to have a machine vote. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Clerk, record the vote.